



Connecticut Association of Public School Superintendents

Testimony on S.B. No. 459. An Act Concerning the Regional Processing and Retention of Fingerprint Records.

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Senator Slossberg, Senator Boucher, Representative Fleischmann, Representative Lavielle and Members of the Education Committee,

The Connecticut Association of Public School Superintendents is strongly in favor of the Regional Service Centers (RESCs) being once again able to process and retain fingerprints for education candidates and substitutes. This process worked well for all candidates and for school districts for many years.

The interruption in this process has caused undue burdens on all school districts and most especially on small districts and on our teaching candidates as well as substitutes. For example, each substitute must have fingerprints done at the local police stations during very restricted hours, for each school district in which he/ she wishes to work. In the eastern part of our state, for example, there are many small districts so substitutes may work in more than one. The substitutes must process their fingerprints for every school district. In the past, The RESCs could process these and share current reports on substitutes, thereby, making the process more efficient and cost effective.

The returning of this process to the RESCs is important and will relieve educational candidates, substitutes, school districts and police departments of undue burden.